

In the parable of the Talents our Lord Quotes the master of the servant, "Well done, Good and Faithful Servant." I believe he will say the same to our fellow worker.

He has surely been faithful in a few things--some of us would call them many things. Mission work on a foreign field, including work in a growing mission school, building and superintending a Baptist Hospital helping to found the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and serving ten years on its faculty--several important pastorates--in all these he was faithful and successful. At Clear Creek he has been faithful in a few things--a few men; that is, twelve, and because he was faithful, the few has grown many times over.

It was not mine to know him personally until three years ago. known him by reputation many years). In these years as fellowship the following characteristics have impressed themselves upon me. (1) meticulous care and the scrupulous thoroughness and promptness with which he does his work. Whether he is to lead a class of preachers in Isaiah, make a chapel talk, or to teach a Sunday School lesson, he is not satisfied with less than the best possible preparation, and he always makes this preparation by the time it is due. (2) His rugged loyalty to principle. He loves the Lord Jesus with a passion, and he has no patience with those who would compromise commands of his Lord or temporize the teachings of the Book. I was impressed with this on the day I first met him before I had talked with him ten minuts. (3) The warmness of his friendship and the very wide circle of his friends. One would think that because of his rugged individualism, his close friends would be few in number but not so. His former students -- many hundred of them -- his former parishiners, and his x co-workers delight to call him blessed. He strives in every way to make things easy for his successor. I know, for I succeeded him as dean of this institution. If he has criticized my actions (and my actions have often

been subject to criticism), it has been in the kindliest and most cooperative spirit.

Clean in life, chaste in speech, scholorly in the class room and with his pen, and eloquent in the pulpit or before any congregation--Robert Perry Mahon has been and is a good and faithful servant of his Lord.

# THIS ENVELOPE CONTAINS SEAL FOR SUBJECT 4 IN THE TRAINING UNION STUDY COURSE

Dr. John F. Carter

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# REPORT OF COMMITTEE

State of Religion and Fraternal Correspondence,

DEAR BRETHREN:-Through the kindness of our Heavenly Father we have been permitted to convene in this our annual meeting for 1879. The mournful circumstances that led to our failure last year will be remembered with sadness by all, but it becomes us to be resigned to the dispensations of an all-wise and gracious God. We mourn the loss of our brethren and sisters who fell under the weight of the terrible scourge at Lake and Lawrence.

Our present session has been quite interesting. All our churches that retain their being have been represented but one. We are sorry to say that some few have dissolved. We have received four new churches at our present session. There is one fact with regard to our present session that causes sadness—that is the fact that so many of our Ministers have failed to attend. Sad! Sad! So far. as we know, all our churches have had preaching with greater or less regularity, and taken all together the state of the churches is encouraging. Some complain of coldness. Thus we thank God and take courage so far as our own body is concerned. Increased faithfulness should characterize our conduct as Baptists. Let us guard the faith carefully. No innovations should be tolerated. Now and then new things come up in our worship; the tendency of which is to corrupt and embarrass. We rejoice to learn that the open-communion movement set on foot among Northern Baptists has proven a failure, and the ministers advocating it have either gone to the Pedobaptists, or have renounced their errors and returned to the truth. But while we are called upon to thank God for our escape from this ruinous form of error we behold the advance of an enemy but little less dangerous -set forth in the position that churches should not invite visiting members of the same faith and order to seats with them at the Lord's table in communion. This practice is now taken by J. R. Graves and advocated in the Baptist-his own paper. If it were to prevail it would work vast damage to the baptist cause in our own country. Let us stand in the ways and see and ask for the old paths where is the good way and walk therein. It is too late to admit new things in religion. Paul said: "I praise you that ye keep the ordinances as they were delivered to you." Brethren, listen; what I say unto you I say unto all; watch.

Respectfully submitted. A. J. FREEMAN,
W. A. HUTSON.
HENRY WHITE,
E. CREEL,
L. J. CAUGHMAN.
Z. K. GILMORE,
H. B. COOPER,
N. L. CLARKE.

#### NAMES AND POST OFFICES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

N. L. Clarke, Decatur, Newton Co.
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L. K. Gilmore, Hickory, "" E. S. Stephens, Rushing's Store, Lau'd'le.
J.M. McAlister, Meridian, Lauderdale Co. E. S. Clarke, Edinburg, Leake Co.
L. P. Murrell, Lake, Scott Co.
D. Fore, Jewell Hill, Jasper Co.
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B. F. Carter, Philadelphia, Neshoba Co.
T. M. Ellerbee, Forest, Scott county.

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H. O. White, Decatur, Newton Co. Jos. White, " " " " " " T. T. Wells, Moore's Mills, Newton Co.

#### MINUTES.

Bethel Church, Newton Co., Miss., September 20th, A. D., 1879.

Mount Pisgah Association convened to-day in her Forty-Second annual session at this place. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder A. Gressett. Text: 18 chapter John, 36th verse. "My kingdom is not of this world." Theme: Kingdom of Christ in the world, its origin, nature, &c. Though in feeble health Brother G. gave us an edifying discourse.

Intermission of half hour.

Assembled in the house for business.

Prayer by Elder A. J. Freeman.

Committee to read letters—D. S. Holmes, D. T. Chapman and Eld. A. J. Freeman.

To preach at the stand this evening—Eld. Z. K. Gilmore.

Committee on Finance—J. L. Hardy, J. A. Chambers and W. L. Kelly.

H. B. Cooper chosen clerk pro tem.

Proceeded to read letters from the churches. (For statistics see table.)

Letters were read from forty-three churches; delegates seated, their names being enrolled.

The body proceeded to elect officers by acclamation, resulting in the choice of Eld. N. L. Clarke for Moderator, H. B. Cooper Clerk and J. M. Pace Treasurer.

Petitionary letters were now called for, when letters from Sand Springs, Woodland, Friendship and Midway churches were read. Churches received and delegates seated.

On motion, visiting ministers of our faith and order were invited to seats in the body, when Eld. A. Gressett of Meridian, and Eld. J. B. Gambrell of Clinton, accepted the invitation.

Correspondence from other bodies called for.

Eld. M. E. Manning received as messenger from Springfield Association.

Package of minutes from the Ebenezer Association.

The following committees were appointed:

On Preaching—J. M. Pace, J. B. Buckley, Jos. White, B. M. Buckley, together with the Pastor and deacons of this church; which committee in a short time returned and reported as follows:

That Eld. N. L. Clarke preach the annual sermon on missions to-morrow at 11 a.m., and that Eld. J. B. Gambrell in the after-

noon, and that Eld. M. E. Manning preach at the church to-night. Resolved, That a public collection be taken up to-morrow, after first sermon, for home and foreign missions.

On Nominations—D. T. Chapman, N. T. Johnston, Wm. Graham, J. C. Walton, J. A. Blackman and A. Chaney.

On State of Religion and Fraternal Correspondence—A. J. Freeman, L. J. Caughman, W. A. Hutson, Z. K. Gilmore, Henry White, H. B. Cooper and E. Creel.

On motion, the Moderator was added to this committee.

On Missions—A. Gressett, J. P. Pace, W. F. Vance and A. P. Wash.

To Write Letters-G. W. Walton, D. S. Holmes.

On Queries and Requests—L. P. Murrell, J. J. Trayler, E. S. Stephens, L. Day, C. G. Johnson and J. J. Philips.

On Sabbath Schools—J. J. Trayler, D. Fore, J. C. Parker and J. D. Parker.

On Publications—W. A. Hutson, C. C. White, A. J. Freeman and M. Barham.

On Deceased Ministers—J. B. Abney, J. A. Chambers, and J. L. Hardy. The Moderator added by motion.

Adjourned to meet Monday 9 a. m.

#### SABBATH, 11 A. M.

Elder N. L. Clarke preached according to appointment, using as a foundation 18th verse of 3rd chapter 1st Peter. This sermon was surely one full of Gospel truth, well timed, clear and pointed; after which a collection was taken up for missions, amounting to fifteen dollars and seventy-five cents, (\$15 75).

Elder J. B. Gambrell of Clinton, followed at 1 p. m., using as a text 20th verse 32nd chapter Isiah: "Blessed are they that sow beside all waters." Bro. G. seemed to have the presence of the spirit, and his discourse was listened to with marked interest.

#### MONDAY, 9 A. M.

Called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was then called, most of the delegates answering from their seats.

On motion, Bro. Hi. Eastland from the Springfield Association was acknowledged as corresponding messenger.

Resolved, That Elder B. F. Carter preach at the stand to-day and that Elder A. J. Freeman follow.

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To Bethlehem Association—Elders E. S. Stephens, B. F. Carter.

To Salem Association-J. J. Trayler and Elder D. Fore.

On motion, resolved that Bro. I. M. Nichols be received as corresponding messenger from Mount Olivet Association.

To Mount Olivet Association-J. A. Chambers, G. L. M. F.

To the Chickasahay Association—Elder A. J. Freeman and N. T. Johnston.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

Report of Committee on Queries and Requests taken up, and after some discussion, adopted. Exhibit A.

Report of Committee on Nominations, adopted. Exhibit B.

Committee on Publications reported. Report adopted. Exhibit C.

Report of Committee on Missions after being discussed with some interest, adopted. Exhibit D.

Report of Committee on Sabbath Schools adopted. Exhibit E.

Report of Committee on Finance adopted. Exhibit F.

Report of Committee on State of Religion and Fraternal Correspondence adopted and ordered to be printed on first page of minutes.

Committee on Deceased Ministers reported. Report adopted. Exhibit G.

Adjourned for 3 of an hour.

Business resumed. Delegates to General Association—Z. K. Gilmore, R. E. Buckley, J. J. Trayler, D. Fore, J. L. Hardy, J. D. Parker, N. L. Clarke, L. P. Muraell, C. G. Johnson, W. A. Hutson, E. Dean, A. M. Harris, J. T. Bryant, L. J. Caughman, J. I. Robinson, Jas. A. Chambers, J. L. Coker, Lee M. Philips.

### APPENDICES.

#### EXHIBIT A.

Your Committee on Queries and Requests beg leave to report: Query from Garlandsville Church: Is there no way by which we can get our churches to pay more for pastors? Your committee believe that the New Testament teaches the best plan; for it teaches that those that preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel. We would further say that each church see to that matter and adopt such plan as seems best in their judgment. Submitted,

L. P. Murrell, J. J. Trayler,

E. S. Stephens, L. Day, C. G. Johnson, J. J. Philips.

The above committee recommend that the next session of this Association be held with Sulphur Springs Church Scott Co., Miss., Saturday, before the 3rd Sabbath in September, A. D., 1880.

#### EXHIBIT B.

Your Committee on Nominations would respectfully report that we have nominated Elder L. P. Murrell to preach the next Introductory Sermon and Elder W. A. Hutson alternate, and Elder J. M. Moore the next annual sermon on Missions and Elder A. J. Freeman his alternate. Submitted,

D. T. Chapman, N. T. Johnston, J. C. Walton, Wm. Graham, J. A. Blackman, A. Chaney.

Committee.

#### EXHIBIT C.

We, your Committee on Publications, would recommend the Southern Baptist to every family in the land, and Kind Words as the best Sunday School paper in the South. Submitted, C. C. White, W. A. Hutson, M. Barham. A. J. Freeman,

Committee.

#### EXHIBIT D.

We, your Committee on Missions, deem it needless to undertake to prove that mission work is scriptural and important; this we consider a settled question, as this Association has been successfully engaged in this work since 1844; most of the time within her own bounds and with other Associations in regions beyond, and is now helping to sustain two faithful brethren—Johnston and Anderson, in the destitution between this and the southern coast of our State. Here a wide door opens for us, and our brethren have entered. But amid the ever-changing state of our country there is almost every year arising destitution within the bounds of the various Associations in our section of the State which should be regarded by us and an effort made to reach it. Besides, there are, as nearly as we can ascertain, some 3,000 Choctaw Indians in our midst that are perishing for the bread of life. Shall we to them the lamp of life deny any longer? We think not. Therefore we recommend the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Association suggest to the General Association of Miss., the propriety of her employing at her next annual meeting an energetic man to labor as Missionary in East Mississippi, and that this Association pledge herself for his support with such aid as she may receive from other churches and Associations, and that the evangelization of the Indians in our midst have their prayerful consideration. Submitted,

A. Gressett, J. P. Pace, W. F. Vance, A. P. Wash. Committee.

#### EXHIBIT E.

The true idea of a Sunday School is the church engaged in the studying and teaching the holy scriptures on the Lord's day. This is the proper work of the churches and should not be turned over to a few, especially the young who are less prepared to teach the Bible. It is our opinion that none but converted persons should be charged with the duty of instructing the young. This is a vastly important work committed to us! Shall we fail to do it? Will we be guiltless if we fail? All over the country there are many children and grown up people who need instruction in divine things. This instruction we are able to give to their profit and our own good. Few things would have a greater tendency to develop the churches than a well conducted Sunday School in each church.

J. J. Trayler,

D. Fore,

J. C. Parker,

J. D. Parker. Committee.

#### EXHIBIT F.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to make the following report:

We have also examined Treasurer's report and find the following for 1878:

Paid W. A. Hutson	\$ 2 00
" Eld. Crenshaw	21 95
" " Magouirk	8 10
" " N. L. Clarke	4 00
" " McAlister	5 00
" " D. Fore	4 00
Mission Fund General Association	23 85
Printing Minutes	60 00
Paid Gen. Association	10 00
" Eld. Magouirk	15 75
" To Gen. Association	7 50
Amount returned to Treasurer	3 85

Submitted,

J. L. Hardy,
J. A. Chambers,
W. L. Kelly.

Committee.

I paid \$1,00 for Eld. Crenshaw. All other funds being sent up for Missions and Associational purposes.

#### EXHIBIT G.

Your Committee on deceased Ministers can only bring to your minds the death of our lamented Brother, Elder W. D. Magouirk. This sad event took place in September as one of the disastrous results of the yellow fever. But inasmuch as an obituary has already been written and published we deem it unnecessary to republish one. Submitted,

J. B. Abney, J. A. Chambers, Committee. J. L. Hardy, N. L. Clarke.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That any funds in the hands of the Treasurer of this body for mission work be turned over to the Treasurer of the General Association.

Resolved, That as the committee to write letters of correspondence to sister associations, failed to do the work assigned them, that delegates write their own letters of correspondence.

Resolved, That the funds sent up for Bro. Crenshaw be sent to

his family.

Resolved, That Fellowship Church, Rushing Store, Lauderdale

Co., have a letter of dismission from this body.

Resolved, That any funds remaining in the hands of the Treasurer after current expenses have been met, be transferred to the General Association.

Resolved, That the Clerk have the necessary number of Minutes printed, distribute them to the churches, reserving a sufficient number for corresponding purposes and receive \$20 00 for his services, and call on the Treasurer for that amount.

Resolved, That the thanks are due and are hereby tendered to this church and people of this vicinity, for the kind and hospitable manner

in which they have entertained this body.

Resolved, That this Association adjourn to meet with Sulphur Springs Church, Scott Co., Miss., Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in September, A. D., 1880.

N. L. CLARKE, Moderator.

H. B. Cooper, Clerk.
Thus closed harmoniously the Forty-Second Session of Mount Pisgah Association.

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New Hope,	Neshoba,	Union,	I M Pool, Nathan Walton.
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We believe that the Ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's 4. We believe that the Ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper are properly administered only by Ministers called of God, and set apart to the work by the imposition of hands by a Presbytery of regular Baptist Ministers.

5. We believe that immersion only, is Baptism, and that believers in Christ are the only proper subjects,
6. We believe that none but regularly baptized church members have a right to partake of the Lord's Supper.

7. We believe that it is the duty and privilege of all believers to make a public profession of their faith, to submit to the Ordinances of the Gospel and give themselves as members to the visible church.

8. We believe it to be the duty of every church to expel from

8. We believe it to be the duty of every church to expel from her communion every number that is immoral in conduct, or that helds doctrines contrary to the Scriptures.

Objects and Powers of this Association.

This Association acknowledges and maintains that each church is an independent body, and possesses the sole right to exercise and control its own affairs; and, therefore, this Association has no right or power to interfere with the internal rights and privileges of churches composing its body, but may withdraw from any church which may hold false doctrine, or tolerate immoral practices.

2. The objects of this Association shall be to promote fellowship and harmony among the churches; to inquire into any difficulties between the churches, and remove them if possible; to give

ficulties between the churches, and remove then if possible; to give the churches the best advice they can, in difficult matters, when solicited, and, in general, to advance the interests of the Redeemer's Kingdom in any way they may deem practicable.

3. With regard to the benevolent institutions in our country, we declare it to be the inalienable right of every Association, of every church, of every individual member of a church, to support them according to their own views of duty and dictates of their own conscience; and the right shall never be called in question in this Association. And any motion whereby this right is called in question, shall be instantly ruled out by the Moderator, as being unconstitutional.

4. This Association may maintain a friendly correspodence when convenient, with other religious bodies of the same faith.

5. Ministers of the Gospel, in good standing, though not delegates, may be invited to seats in the Association, but not to have the privilege of voting.

6. The Association may appoint any person or persons, by and with they consent to transport may business they may deep process.

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ry. 7. The Association may adjourn to any time and place they

think proper.

8. The Association shall keep a record of their proceedings, and

9. The Association shall have a fund, and appoint a Treasurer to take charge of it, who shall account to the Association for all monies which shall come into his hands for the use of the Association.

10. The Association may form their own By-Laws, and regulate their own proceedings in such a manner as they may think expedi-

#### RULES OF DECORUM.

1. This Association shall consist of delegates chosen by the churches to which they respectively belong, and shall be styled the

Mt. Pisgah Association.

2. Such delegates shall be members in good standing, and no member under church censure, shall be allowed a seat in the As-

3. They shall produce letters certifying their appointment by their respective churches, and stating the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, excommunicated and deceased, during

4. This association shall have a moderator, clerk and treasurer, who shall be annually chosen by a majority of the members present, by ballot of otherwise. Said officers shall fill their respective places, if present, at the succeeding association, until a new election takes place, and while in office, shall discharge the duties ordinarily incident to those offices. cident to those offices.

5. If new churches desire to be admitted into the association,

5. If new churches desire to be admitted into the association, they shall petition by letter and delegates, and if orthodox and orderly, shall be received, and the moderator shall recognize them by giving their delegates the right hand of fellowship in behalf of the

6. Every church shall be allowed two delegates and no more, until her number shall exceed one hundred—three, until it shall exceed one hundred and fifty, then four, and no more.

7. The association shall neither answer or debate any query on Gospel doctrine, except it be merely to explain the meaning of the Articles of Faith of this association.

s. Every motion made in order and seconded, shall be reduced to writing if requested by any member, and shall be considered by the association, except withdrawn by the mover before discussion.

9. Motions made and lost, shall not be recorded on the minutes,

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10. If any proposition or motion under debate contain two or more points, it shall be devided at the request of any member, and the vote taken on each point separately.

11. Only one member shall speak at the same time, who shall arise from his seat and address the moderator. He shall confine himself to the subject properly in debate, cast no reflection on the association, or any member thereof, and shall not be interrupted while speaking.

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12. No person shall speak more than once upon the same subject, till all who may desire to speak thereon have enjoyed the same privilege; and not then without leave of the association.

13. The Moderator shall have the privilege of speaking on any

question to the body.

14. The Moderator shall decide questions of order, but an appeal from such decision may be taken to the whole body, which shall be decided without debate.

15. A majority of the members present shall be necessary to carry any motion or proposition, and the Moderator shall vote as other members when the question is taken; and in case of a tie, the question shall again be put to the Association, and if not then decided, the Moderator shall proceed to decide the matter in controversy by

16. Committees shall be nominated by the Moderator, subject to

the approval of the Association.

17. There shall be no talking or whispering while a brother is

speaking.

18. No brother shall finally depart from the Association without leave of the body.

19. The names of the Delegates shall be enrolled by the Clerk,

and called over, when necessary.

20. The minutes shall be read and carefully corrected, if necessary, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association

21. A motion of final adjournment shall be construed to involve the previous reading and adjustment of the minutes.

22. The Association shall be opened by prayer.

23. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read, by order from the Moderator, as soon as the Association convenes on Monday.

24. The foregoing articles shall be subject to alternation or amendment, at any regular meeting of the Association, by a majority of the Association. of the Association.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sabbath-schools feel their importance, and judging from the letters from the churches that the interests of Sunday-schools is greatly overlooked, we would earnestly call the attention of the brethren to this important work of the church. The Sunday-school the brethren to this important work of the church. The Sunday-school should be made a subject of prayer and earnest effort in all the churches Every lover of our blessed Savior should be engaged in the great and glorious work of the Sunday-schools, in training and preparing the minds of the young for the reception of the gospel. In thus doing, the Sunday-school will be placed in its proper position. The entire membership of the church engaged in this work will expand in a general knowledge of the Scriptures. They will be able more fully to understand the preached word, will be established in the faith of the gospel, their usefulness increased, and they will be confirmed in the hope of everlasting glory. Submitted, G. W. RAINER, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

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#### G. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your committee feel the importance of general education, and are glad to note the increasing interest manifested by our people in the education of the rising generation. The proof of this is to be seen in the ncation of the rising generation. The proof of this is to be seen in the efforts put forth all over our country to establish and sustain permanent schools, of both common and alhigher order. That the usefulness and happiness of our children largely depend upon the proper training and development of their minds, there can be no doubt. Hence we would encourage in every possible way the cause of education; and would rejoice to see the good work go on till a thorough education in the English branches at least, shall be placed within the reach of all.

In this connection we would refer to the High School, instituted by the General Association, and located at Sylvarena, as one deserving our prayers and support. Submitted, N. T. JOHNSON, Chairman.

#### ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.

N. L. Clarke, Decatur,	1 S. J. Tullos, Dixon, Neshoba Ce
L. P. Murrell, Lake,	J. M. Moore, Union,
D. Fore, Lake,	J. K. P. Shows, Union,
J. N. Newburn, High Hill,	J. J. Ingram, Dixon,
A. J. Freeman, Newton,	J. M. Kelly, Union,
Z. K. Gilmore, Hickory,	T. M. Elerbe, New Ireland,
J. D. Parker, Jewell Hill,	T. I. Wells, Moore's Mill,
G. W. Raynor, Hickory,	L. J. Caughman, Shongelo.
J. E. Chapman, Newton,	B. W. Dearing, Newton,
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F. Sansing, Union, Joseph White, Decatur, T. M. Gould, Lake, W. R. Hailey, Hickory, J. E. Pearson, Lena, W. G. Everett, Hickory, Jas. Killen, Union,

H. O. White, Moore's Mill, J. W. Arnold, New Ireland, J. T. Massey, Lena, Wm. Sessum, Lena, D. M. Stroud, Hickory, L. M. Phillips, Newton.

#### ABSTRACT OF FAITH.

#### FREAMBLE

We, the Churches of Jesus Christ, who have been regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith, and convinced of the utility of a combination of churches, and of maintaining a correspondence for the preserving of union amongst churches of the same faith, form ourselves into an Association upon the following principles, viz:

1. We believe in one Triuine God, the Father, the Son and the

Holy Ghost, the same in essence, equal in power and glory.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament were given by the inspiration of God, and are the only rule of faith and

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3. We believe in the fall of Adam from his original rectitude, and in him, all his posterity; in consequence of which, we inherit a falten and depraved nature, consequently, the scriptural doctrine of the total depravity of human nature, and of man's inability to restore himself into the favor of God.

4. We believe that God hath loved his people with an everlasting love; that he chose them in Christ before the foundation of the world; that he calleth them with a holy and effectual calling and being justified alone through the righteousness of Christ imputed to them, are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

5. We believe there is one Mediator between God and manthe Man Christ Jesus—who, by the satisfaction he made to the law and justice, in becoming an offering for sin, by His most precious blood, become the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

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6. We believe that the gospel is God's appointed means of calling sinners to the knowledge of the truth—that he has commanded it to be preached to every creature, and requires all men to repent, believe and obey.
7 We believe that the gospel is made effectual by the operation of the Holy Spirit, and that the sinner, in order to be saved, must be born again.

born again.
8. We believe that good works are the fruits of faith, and follow after justification, and are evidences of a gracious state, and all believers are bound to obey every command of God from a principle of

9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, a general judgment and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

#### GOSPEL ORDER.

1. We believe that a visible Church of Christ is a congregation of faithful persons, who have given themselves to the Lord and to one another in brotherly covenant, to keep up a Godly discipline, agreeable to the rules of the New Testament.

2. We believe that Jesus Christ is the only Head and Lawgiver of His church; that the government is with the body, the church, and is equally the right and privilege of each member thereof.

3. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are Gospel Ordinances, appointed by Jesus Christ, and are to be continued in the church until his second coming.

To the Salem—Elder N. L. Clarke.
To the Octibbeha—J. J. Ingram, T. I. Wells, G. W. Rainer.
To the Choctaw—J. M. Moore, F. Sansing.
To the Bethiehem—Z. K. Gilmore.
To the Springfield—B. W. Dearing, N. L. Clarke.
To the Harmony—H. J. Connel, N. L. Clarke.
RESOLVED, That the corresponding messengers be authorized to write their own letters, showing their appointment as messengers to the Associations which they visit, signing the names of the Moderator and Secretary.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

On Nominations—Report read and adopted. Appendix A. On Queries and Requests—Report read and adopted. Appendix

On Missions—Report read. An excellent speech was made by Eld. A. J. Freeman, favoring the report. A telling speech by Eld. L. P. Murrell on the Indian Mission. Speeches were made by others also favoring Missions, and urging greater efforts in that work, when the report was unanimously adopted. Appendix C. On Publications—Report read, amended and adopted. Appendix D.

Elder Z. K. Gilmore apppointed to preach at the church.

Report of Committee on the State of Religion and Fraternal Correspondence. Report read and adopted. (See first page.)

On Sunday Schools—Report read, and after considerable discussion by brethren L. P. Murrell, A. Gressett, R. E. Buckly, T. J. Miley, W. C. Thornton and M. E. Manning, it was amended and adopted. Appendix E.

On Finance—Report read and adopted. Appendix F.
On Education—Report read and adopted. Appendix G.
Appointed representatives to the General Association, viz Elders
L. P. Murrell, A. J. Freeman, N. L. Clarke, J. E. Chapman, N. T.
Johnson and D. T. Chapman.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

By motion, it was resolved to republish in the minutes of this year the Abstract of Faith. Rules of Decorum, Cospel Order &c.

Resolved, That the Clerk have the Minutes of this Association prepared, and printed, and distributed to the churches—reserving a quantity for correspondence, and that he receive \$20 for his services-

quantity for correspondence, and that he receive \$20 for his services—calling on the Treasurer for the same.

RESOLVED, That the Clerk be authorized to have the Minutes printed at the office of the Southern Baptist.

RESOLVED. That any funds remaining in the hands of the Treasurer of this body, after current expenses have been met, be transferred to the Treasurer of the General Association.

RESOLVED, That we have unabated confidence in the great work of the General Association, and urge it upon the churches with great earnestness.

earnestness.

RESOLVED, That Elder J. M. Moore be requested to furnish a copy of his Introductory Sermon to the editor of the Southern Baptist for publication.

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY, That we cordially tender the thanks of this body to the church and citizens of this community, for their kindness and generous hospitality during this meeting.

RESOLVED, That this Association adjourn to meet with Harper-ville church, Scott county, Miss., on Saturday before the 3rd Lord's day in September, 1885.

N. L. CLARKE, Moderator.

J. M. MOORE, Clerk.

Your Committee on Nominations report: That we have nominated Elder G. W. Rainer to preach the next Introductory Sermon, and Eld. S. J. Tullos, his alternate; and that Eld. N. L. Clarke preach the next Annual Sermon or Missions, and Eld. L. P. Murrell his alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. INGRAM, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REQUESTS. B.

Your Committee on Queries and Requests report: Four churches Your Committee on Queries and Requests report. Four that have requested the next annual meeting of this body to be held with them, viz: Oakland, Rock Branch, Pleasant Hill, Harperville. We recommended that the request from Harperville church be granted.

Submitted,

L. P. Murrell, Chairman.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Missions submit the following report: That Your Committee on Missions submit the following report: That the subject of Missions is a conceded fact, sustained by God's word, and by the success that has attended the Missionary enterprise. It has been but about one hundred years since the first effort in modern Mission work was put forth to extend the Redeemer's Kingdom, and many thousands of the heathen are now befievers in the blessed Savior. The Bible has been translated into every prominent language of the world. The opposition has given way, and the Macedonian cry, "Come over and help us," comes from every quarter of the globe. By the efforts in this work, our own waste places have been built up till "Come over and help us," comes from every quarter of the globe. By the efforts in this work, our own waste places have been built up till we are in reach of the gospel every Sabbath, and we are now reaching beyond, supplying the destitute in other places. In connection with the General Association, we are seeking to give the gospel to the destitute in our own State, including the Choctaw Indians in our midst. Our missionaries are doing a great work, parties are being baptized, churches built up, and the desert beginning to blossom as the rose. The success of the Choctaw Mission has exceeded our expectations. Three churches have been constituted among them, with prospects of another soon. For this we should thank God. This good work should be continued, and it requires means to do it. We are owing our missionaries. The General Association meets the last of October, when it will be due.

In conclusion, we recommend that the pastors and deacons present the claims of missions to their churches during the month of October, and take up a collection for our benevolent objects, which funds shall be credited to the churches. Said funds to be sent direct to the General Association, or handed to D. T. Chapman, Treasurer, N. L. Charke, A. Cressett, or L. D. Murrell.

Clarke, A. Cressett, or L. P. Murrell. We recommend that so much of this report as appeals to the churches for funds, be published in the Southern Baptist.
Respectfully submitted,
A. J. Freeman,

A. J. Freeman, Chairman.

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUPLICATIONS.

Your Committee on Publications report: The printing press is a great power for good or evil. Vicious and profane literature will most surely corrupt the morals of those who read it. As we profess to be the followers of Christ, we should see that no such literature finds its way to our homes and children. Avoid all trashy publications as you would avoid the deathly contagion. As a sound moral and religious yournal, we recommend the Southern Baptist, published by Eld. A. Gressett, Meridian, Miss. For Sunday-schools and Juvenile family reading, we recommend Kind Words, published by S. Boykin, Macon, Georgia. Respectfully submitted, Z. K. Gll.MORE, Chairman.

#### MINUTES.

Keport of Committee on State of Religion and Fraternal Correspondence:

DEAR BRETHEN: Through the continued goodness of God, we have been permitted to meet in this our forty-seventh annual meeting, with Sylvarena church, and have great reason for thankfulness, for the circumstances that have attended our meeting. We have word from nearly all the churches, evidencing that they are in peace, and at least in a usual state of prosperity. at least in a usual state of prosperity.

The additions by baptism will equal these of former years, at least for several years back, nor do we see any decline in the Spirit of Missions.

Missions.

It should be noticed, however, that the churches do their mission work through the General Association; heacethey send their funds directly there, so that but little is sent to this bodyfor that purpose. It is believed that all our churches have had preaching with tolerable regalarity, and several have had precious revivals. Great harmony has attended our deliberations in business, while the preaching has been faithful and edifying. There have been 3 new churches added to our number. Taking all together, this has been, not only a pleasant, but an encouraging session of our beloved Association, in view of all which we thank God and take courage.

Dear Brethren, our beloved Association has existed now for nearly fifty years, and is growing old in the Lord's work. Let us thank for the attainment of greater things. Jesus says: "My Father worketh—and I work." The Apolie tells us to always abound in the work of the Lord, assuring us "that our labor is not in vain in the Lord." Much of our strength as an Association has grown out of our union

of the Lord, assuring us "that our labor is not in vain in the Lord." Much of our strength as an Association has grown out of our amion in council, and soundness in the faith. Let us study to be one, to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, yea, let us earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints, in word, in principle, in practice. Let us watch against innovations that would tend to unsettle us. Your committee would especially guard the churches against the new and confusing view of the communion question; as we are satisfied that our practice of intercommunion with the membership of our own churches, is consistent scriptural, and prefitable.

satisfied that our practice of intercommunion with the membership of our own churches, is consistent scriptural, and profitable.

Beloved Brethren: Let us not forget our obligation to give the gospel to the destitute families of the earth. The command of the Savior, pity for the perishing, and our desire to be useful, as well as the wonderful success that has attended our labors in this blessed work, hand have useful as the property of the command of the Savior. should urge us forward to greater efforts. May the Lord bless us in

N. L. CLARKE. L. P. MURRELL. J. M. MOORE. H. ROBINSON. G. WHITE. JAS. VIVERETTE. J. E. CHAPMAN.

Sylvarena, Smith Co., Miss., Sept. 20th 1884.
Mt. Pisgah Association convened this day in her 47th annual session, with Slyvarena Church, Smith county. Miss.
The Introductory Sermon was preached by Eld. J. M. Moore, from Acts 2:41—Theme: the Scriptural qualifications of those to be admitted to the general ordinances.

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After intermission and refreshments, the delegates assembled in the house for business. The Moderator called the house to order, and opened the meeting by prayer.

Eld. A. J. Freemam, Eld. J. E. Chapman and L. M. Philips were appointed reading clarks.

appointed reading clerks.

Bro G. C. Harper, N. T. Johnson and W. C. Thornton were avpointed a committee on finance.

Letters were read from 44 churches and delegates seated.
On motion it was resolved, That this body elect its officers by acclamation, which resulted in the re-election of the former officers, viz; clamation, which resulted in the re-election of the former officers, viz; clamation, W. L. Clarke, Moderator, Eld. J. M. Moore, Secretary, and Bro, J. D. Hardy, Treasurer.
Visiting ministers were invited to seats with us.
Petitionary letters were then called for. Three were presented, one from Prarie Concord, one from Bethany and one from New Hope. The letters were read, and the schurches admitted members of this body, the Moderator giving the hand of fellowship to the delegates.
Correspondence from sister Associations was called for. Eld. W. T. Correspondence from sister Associations was called for. Eld. W. T. Eld. M. E. Manning and T. J. Miley from Springfield, and Elder A. Gressett from the Beth'ehem, and the hand of welcome was extended by the Moderator.

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The Moderator then appointed committees, as follows:

ON PREACHING—II, J. Connel, J. B. Ishee, J. D. Hardy, J. W.

McCaughn.
On Queries and Requests—H. G. Griffis, L. P. Murrell, R. E. Buckly, H. Bruce, W. L. Sharp, F. Sansing.
Missions—Eld. A. J. Freeman, Eld. Z. K. Gilmore, W. L. Collins, W. B. F. Adams, J. K. Horn.
On Nominations—Eld. J. J. Ingram. J. C. Walton, John McCarty, J. D. Hardy, S. J. Nelson, T. M. Gould.
On Publications—Z. K. Gilmore, J. T. Halford, G. Robinson, J. M. Moore.

ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS—Eld, G. W. Rainer, W. F. Jones W. H. Cheek, B. W. Dearing, R. L. Herrington.
ON STATE OF RELIGION AND FRATERNAL CORRESPONDECE—Elder N. L., Clarke, J. M. Moore, L. P. Murrell, H. Robinson, G. White, Jas. Viverette, J. E. Chapman.
ON EDUCATION—Fild A Grassatt W. D. Diagnon, M. D. Lebrago, J. B.

ON EDUCATION-Eld. A. Gressett, W. T. Thigpen, N. T. Johnson, J. E.

The Committee on Preaching report that Elder G. W. Rainer is appointed to preach at the church to-night; That Eld. A J. Freeman preach at the church at H o'clock A. M. the annual sermon on missions; Eld. L. P. Murrell to preach at the Academy at the same time. In the afternoon Eld. A. Gressett to preach; and Eld. J. T. Simmons appointed to preach at night pointed to preach at night.

Association adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

SUNDAY SERVICES

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Prayer meeting at 10 o'clock conducted by Eld. B. W. Dearing. At 11 o'clock, the annual sermon on missions was preached at the church by Eld. A. J. Freeman, from Rome 1:16: The Gospel the power of God unto salvation. Eld. L. P. Murrell preached at the Acader of God unto salvation. Eld. L. P. Murrell preached at the Acader of God unto salvation. Eld. L. P. Murrell preached at the Acader of God unto salvation. Eld. L. P. Murrell preached at the Acader of God unto salvation. Eld. L. P. Murrell preached at the Acader of God unto salvation. Good order of God unto salvation of the law for righteousness. Good order prevailed at both places. A collection was taken up at each place, represented at both places. A collection was taken up at each place, resulting as follows: For Domestic Missions, \$3.55; Indian Missions, \$4.23; Foreign Missions, \$2.25. Total. \$14.90.

At 2. P. M. Elder A; Gressett preached a good sermon from 1st Corrin. 1:30: Christ, the Wisdom, Righteousness, Sanctification and Redemption of his people.

Eld. J. T. Simmons preached a good sermon at night from Acts, 16:30.

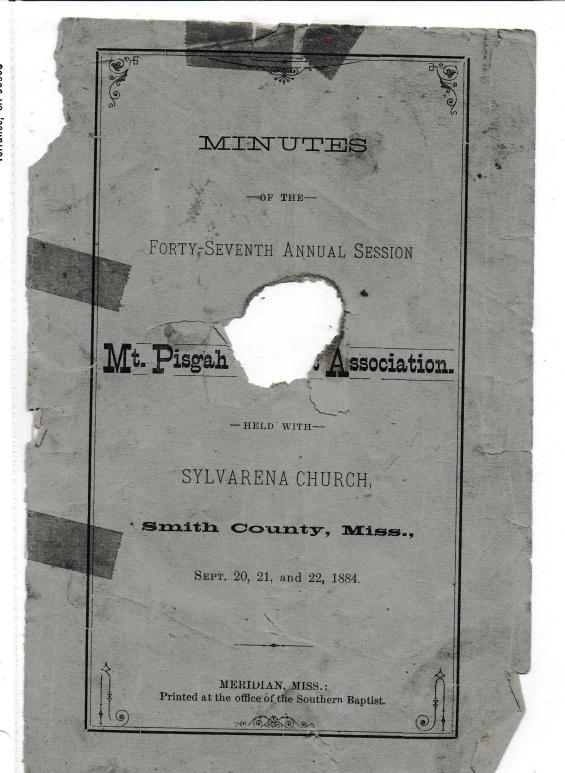
MONDAY 9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Association was called to order, and the services opened

with prayer by the Moderator.

Called the Role. Read the Rules of Decorum.

Proceeded to appoint corresponding messengers to sister Associations. ations.



This is the sentiment of P.D. and Brenda Lee, and their two children, Terry, 13, and Christy, 10, as they prepare for furlough, at the end of their first term of service in Spain.

P.D. and Brenda were born in adjoining counties in North-central Mississippi. P.D. is from Starkville and Brenda grew up on "the Haggard Hill", near Louisville in the Bethel Community. Both were blessed with Christian homes, and both received missionary education in their early years. They attended R.A. and G.A. camps, and through the years both kept tucked away in their hearts their own personal willingness to serve God as missionaries overseas, if He should call them.

P.D. got his degree in Blectrical Engineering from Mississippi State University. Brenda went to Clarke Memorial College and finished at Blue Mountain College, with a major in English and Music. One summer she worked in G.A. Camp at Garaywa and another summer she did summer mission work with the Home Mission Board.

P.D. had several good jobs in his chosen field, including five years at the Army Ballistics Missile Agency in Huntsville, Ala. P.D. and Brenda were married in 1964, and in 1966 they went back to Starkville, where they were in business for themselves for seven years. At the death of P.D.'s father, they took over the family business, under the name of "Lee Home Furnishings." During these years they had trying times, Struggling to get out of debt and get ahead in the business.

In 1974, when things were looking up, they began to do some serious thinking, and to ask themselves, "Is this what we want to do the rest of our lives? Is this what God wants us to do?" It had never occured to P.D. Lee that there was a place in the foreign mission program for a layman, and more particularly for an electrical engineer. On a camping trip with friends in north Mississippi, they heard for the first time that the Foreign Mission Board was looking for a Radio and TV Technician, to develop a mass-media ministry. They even had a choice between Spain and three other countries: Taiwan, France and Angola. Angola was closed pulitically and besides, they favored a Spanish-speaking country. So Spain was chosen.

The Lees were appointed in 1975. They took a semester of work at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. Then they went to a Six-Week Orientation period at Pine Mountain, Georgia. Next came the Language School in San José Costa Rica.

San José, Costa Rica turned out to hold for them a dangerous experience, when Brenda and P.O. were involved in a wreck, and a train ran into the ranch wagon in which they were riding, at a crossing; scattered pieces of the vehicle along the track and put them both in the hospital.

They were put in different hospitals and Some heard during the day that P.D. had been killed, but finally they were together in the same hospital at the end of the day.

Brenda says as she recalls that experience, "Every part of our lives has helped us to become mature enough to be missionaries--and the wreck in Costa Rica is a good example of God's protecting Hand in our lives."

The Lees arrived in Spain from Costa Rica on December 20, 1976 an for the first few months lived in Valencia, Spain's third city, to continue their language study. Then they moved to Denia, where the Radio Headquarters is located. The missionaries of the Daptist Mission to Spain are in agreement when they say, "P.D. is tailor-wade for the job he has." His job description specifies, "Develop a mass-media ministry-(cassettes, slides and movies); production of radio programs to be aired on stations throughout the country." P.D. serves as technical director of this work. Spain launched a Five-Year Mission Plan in Jan. 1978, and P.D. has been most effective in the promotion of this plan though slides and movies, which helped to bring about an unprecedented total for the Home Mission Offering of 1978 of three and a half million pesetas -- ten times the sum of any previous Spanish offering. In the promotion of the Five-Year Mission Plan, P.D. was in 32 of the 59 Baptist Churches of the Spanish Baptist Union. P.D.'s interest and ability in the field of photography have been put to use as he serves as the Photo-Representative of the Foreign Mission Board on the field. On furlough, from June, 1979 to June, 1980, P.D. expects to take some graduate courses in the field of the Mass-Media ministry.

Brenda is active in the local church in Denia. She is Secretary of the local WMU and is director of Children's work in the Denia Baptist Church. She has a Children's Choir, composed of 14 boys and girls. Terry sometimes accompanies the choir with his guitar and Christy plays the recorder. "I have had more opportunities to use music than I ever dreamed of," exclaims Brenda.

The Denia Camp, just a few hundred yards from the Lee's home, overlooking the Mediterranean, has profited greatly from Brenda's talents. Brenda has been the accompanist for the Jativa choir group. Since she teaches the children the Calvert Course, the whole family is able to go on the choir tours.

Speaking of school, Terry and Christy have a sign on the door of their schoolroom, which reads, "Welcome to the Lee School. Grandes: Kindergarten, 5th and 7th. Time: Anytime you like (In case you are wondering who attends the kindergarten, it's none other than Friskie

Both P.D. and Brenda speak of the of the influence of their godly parents: Mrs. P.C. Lee, Sr. of Starkville and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Haggard of Lcuisville.

P.D. says, "My call began years and years ago, but it took me a long time to realize that it was a call. As a boy I loved to play with radios. Finally I came to the realization that God had given me that talent and that He was calling me to serve Him through that interest and ability.

As P.D. and Brenda turn through a scrapbook of their experient up to now, they both agree: "Our decision to come was no snap decis because it all fit together so right. and it still seems right!"

-Indy Whitten Press Representative of the Baptist Mission to Spain

F eb. 1979

The Board of Trustees of Clarke College adopted the following resolution on January 25, 1968:

WHEREAS the McGaugh family and their relatives and friends have provided the funds and materials for the greenhouse to complement the Science Building and this building has now been erected;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Clarke Memorial College

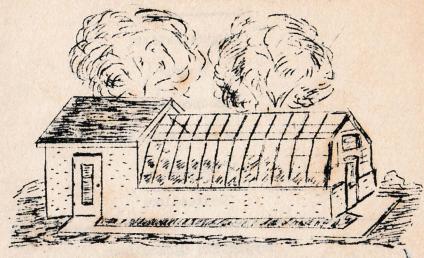
THAT WE accept the greenhouse on behalf of Clarke College, designating it the McGAUGH GREENHOUSE, and that we hereby authorize the placing of a suitable plaque with this designation.

THAT WE EXPRESS to the McGaugh family, their relatives and friends who have participated in the project our appreciation for their contributions toward this attractive and useful facility.

Gifts from the McGaughs have been made as follows: one, \$585; two, \$100; eight, \$50; one, \$25; and one, \$10. Additional gifts have been donated by Murphey Floral Gardens, Tatum Block Company, McMullan Hardware Company, City of Newton, Louis Nance, Parker Sansing, McMullan Drug Store, Newton County Bank, Feldman's Department Store, Sunflower Food Store, Mrs. J. D. Scoggin, and a friend of Mrs. W. F. Pryon.

### IN MEMORIAM

### DEDICATION SERVICE



McGAUGH GREENHOUSE - CLARKE MEMORIAL COLLEGE

The McGaugh Family Reunion, a yearly event on July 4, has special significance in 1968. We are happy to gather on the campus of Clarke College to dedicate the Greenhouse, which is a memorial to the McGaugh family, to the glory of God and to the furtherance of the educational program of our beloved Clarke Memorial College.

Allie Lee and Ernestine, who have given long and careful consideration to the matter of providing a Greenhouse for the College, have led in the movement to raise funds for the project and have given freely of their time in supervising the construction of the new building.

Expressions of appreciation for this new structure have come from Dr. W. L. Compere, president; Dean J. Clifford Watson, on behalf of the faculty; and Dr. Beverly Tinnin, chairman of the Board of Trustees, on behalf of this group. All feel that a very significant addition has been provided to the facilities of the College.

DEDICATION SERVICE
McGAUGH GREENHOUSE
July 4, 1968
11:00-12:00 A.M.

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Prayer

Announcements

Special Music

Message

Dedication

Responsive Dedication (Scripture: Psalm 100; Hymn by Chisholm)

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name;

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting;

And his truth endureth to all generations.

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest Sun, moon and stars in their courses above

Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

May the McGaugh Greenhouse, dedicated to Thy glory, contribute beauty of surroundings and greatness of soul

To Clarke Memorial College.

For the leadership of Thy Spirit in the life and service of Clarke College for sixty years,

We are grateful to Thee, O God.

For the faith, devotion and sacrifice of many who have invested life and earthly means in its work through the years,

We are grateful to Thee, 0 God.

For this excellent McGaugh Greenhouse which has been erected on these grounds,

We are grateful to Thee, O God.

For Thy guidance and blessings in the lives of those whose gifts made this building possible,

We are grateful to Thee, O God.

In gratitude to the McGaugh family for their magnificent gifts for this building and to our God for his leadership in this decision,

We dedicate the McGaugh Greenhouse.

In appreciation for the many others who have made contributions large or small toward making this dream come true,

We dedicate the McGaugh Greenhouse.

For the honor of Christ whose cause will be advanced throughout the world by the Christian students who study and prepare for service here,

We dedicate the McGaugh Greenhouse, Clarke College and ourselves to Thee, our God.

## This Idea Worked

by Mrs. H. T. McLaurin

Fortunate indeed is the person who is privileged to build on the good foundation laid by his predecessor.

At the beginning of the church year 1954-55, A. L. McGaugh was elected Training Union director of the First Baptist Church, Newton, Mississippi. He succeeded Robert J. Cochran, who had worked untiringly to build up sentiment, knowledge, and concrete evidence that a church can have a wide-awake Training Union.

The church was very fortunate in getting "Pop" McGaugh, as he is lovingly called. "Pop" is a hard worker who loves people and believes they need to be trained for service. Always on the job with a smile for everyone, he takes time to encourage, to explain, and to suggest bigger goals and better methods. He carefully and prayerfully studies the problems of every union and every leader. Then he is always willing to counsel with leaders for the future progress of the work.

One of the first things this new director did was to work out the accompanying chart. To do this, he patiently took all the Standards of Excellence of all the departments and all the unions, assembled the information on each of these, and then coordinated it on one new chart.

You will note that all departments and unions are divided into four general divisions: organization, meetings, activities, and efficiency. As each union and department completes its organization, that space is filled in with crayon. Likewise, when requirements for meetings, activities, and

Pastor R. T. B. Leavell and Director A. L. McGaugh check the progress of their Training Union on a novel chart.

efficiency have been met, those spaces are filled in. As shown on the chart, the Training Union, four departments, and five unions are Standard. The Training Union and the Intermediate, Primary, Beginner, and Nursery I departments all reached the Standard the first quarter, and all have maintained it thus far.

The chart shows the record as of the first quarter of 1954-55. Since then, other departments and other unions have become Standard. At the beginning of the year the goal was set for the Training Union, all departments, and all unions to become Standard sometime during the year.

The chart occupies a very prominent place in the auditorium of the

church where all who enter may see it. At the evening service when the report is made for Training Union, the chart comes in for a share of attention. It is paying off because it constantly reminds us of the splendid work of every organization and of their helpful meetings and activities in training all ages to find a place in the program of the Lord's work.

At first the nine-year and ten-year unions did not meet their organizational requirements because the officers were not members of the church. The ten-year group has now reached this point. There have been several conversions among the nine-year group, but there are not yet enough church members in the union to fill all of the offices.

DEPT UNION

Mrs. McLaurin is church librarian at the First Baptist Church, Newton, Mississippi.

Hello from Budapest! It really is lovely here. In fettled in and start work tomorrow. I visited the International Baptist Lay academy today. It's a new building and really beautiful. The library has boxes of books to process. My apartment is really nice. It is I met all 7 of the journeymen Saturday evening and a young missionary coupee, David & Lynda Bodenheimer, from Toupelo Mississippi, and Melody Buntyn, a journeyman from Rankin Country. It really is Small world. My trip over was obay. I got to Frankfart at 6:45 am. ( left Jackson at

10:25 a.m.) and caught my plane to Budapest at 4:20 p.m., got here at 6:00 p.m. I house. sat (or rather house slept) Sunday, The Simmone had to go out of town for church Services. Mary Simmons was an Ishee from Stringer, Mississippe.

, ary told me not to smile or speak to the Hungarians first, that theire suspi-Crows and wonder what we want. That's hard, not to speak when you are looking in their eyes. I did meet about 4 Students at the International Saptist Lay academy and they were friendly. One of them is engaged to the student secretary. The seninary leas to give their permission. for them to mary. They se marry next My thoughts and prayers are with you at Clarke. Please pray for me, I bount conquered the bus sigles system yet I try that tomarrow. Joyce

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To:

All Faculty and Staff

From:

Dean Read JCR

Subject:

Homecoming & Graduation

A Division of Mississippi College

**MEMORANDUM** 

Date: February 24, 1992

I want to remind all of you about two important events coming up in April and May.

First, on Saturday, April 11, 1992, we will be having our annual Clarke College Homecoming. This year we will be honoring the Meltons on their retirement, holding interest group meetings in the morning and featuring an alumni choir in the general meeting in the Fine Arts Building auditorium. Please make yourplans to attend the morning activities that day.

Second, our Graduation Exercises will be held on Tuesday, May 12, 1992, at 2:00 p.m. in the Lott Fine Arts Building auditorium. Please make your plans to attend, and, if possible, to march in the processional and in the recessional, which means you need to see Mrs. Joy Munn about measuring for your cap and gown before the Spring Break begins on Friday, March 6, 1992.

# MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE INTER STAFF MEMORANDUM

DATE:

July 24, 1989

TO:

Dr. James Read

FROM:

Lewis Nobles, President

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

MEMORANDUM

In connection with the SACS report, I should like to indicate approval, in principle, of the ideas set forth in items 1-3 on the first page and items 1-4 at the top of the second page.

Inasmuch as the budget for 1989-90 is set, I do not believe, at this time, that we can recommend approval of the new base pay scale and teaching increments; obviously, until we get to the point of making the next budget, we do not know what the revenue situation will be and this always impacts on what expenditures may be made, but I would not hesitate for you all to suggest that you are recommending this for consideration in the development of the 1990-91 budget and that careful consideration will be given to its implementation.

I do appreciate very much the thoughtful consideration that this committee has given to these concerns and am pleased to note the thoughtful recommendations that have been forthcoming.

Thank you for your time, thought, effort and concern.

dr

c: Prof. Ted Wilson

Teaching increments for years of college experience are the following:

- 1. \$350.00 1-10 years
- 2. \$300.00 10-15 years
- 3. \$250.00 15-20 years

The amount of teaching increments should be reviewed every 5 years.

#### Division Chairpersons

Divisional chairpersons receive an annual stipend

#### Summer School Employment

Summer school employment is on a need basis and cannot be guaranteed. However, a fair and equitable approach will always be maintained in the selection of summer school faculty.

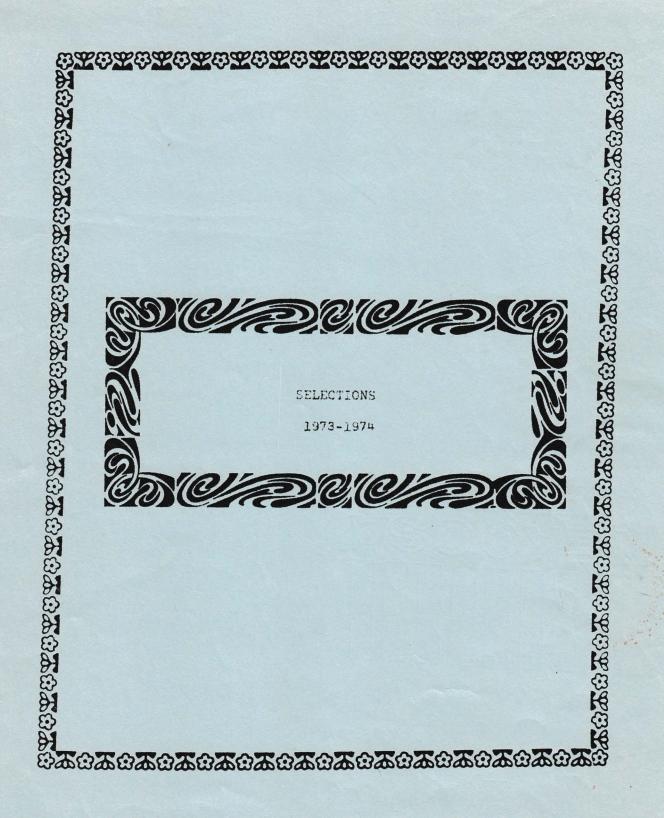
#### Administrative Option

In order to fill various part-time and full-time positions within the organization, the administration may custom-tailor compensation packages to individual employees on one of the following patterns:

- 1. Non-scheduled salary without fringe benefits
- 2. Assigned duties and responsibilities other than teaching
- 3. Supplemental salary for additionally assigned duties and responsibilities

#### Retirement Benefits

The College participates in the Annuity Program of the Southern Baptist Convention by contributing an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the salary of the employee. The contributions begin on January 1 or July 1 following one full year of employment in which you worked at least 1,000 hours. The employee, at his option, may match this amount or have any amount withheld from his salary (maximum set by law) and deposited with the Annuity Board to provide an additional tax-sheltered Annuity fund. The College recognizes the vested right of the employee in retirement funds set aside by the





#### From 1907-1981

Clarke Memorial College grew out of an idea that East Mississippi needed a Baptist institution of higher learning. This was first publicly expressed at the General Association Meeting of Mississippi Baptists in 1907. The death of Rev. N. L. Clarke in 1906, who had been an influential Baptist minister in East Mississippi, spurred the movement to establish a Baptist College in East Mississippi. The Mt. Pisgah Association was first to go on record as being in favor of establishing such an institution. A number of rallies were held in the interest of Baptist higher education in 1907. The climax of these rallies was a rally at the Newton First Baptist Church in October, 1907, that selected a committee to choose the site for a Baptist college in East Mississippi and a Board of Trustees to operate the college.

## The formal opening of Clarke Memorial College occurred on October 1, 1908.

The town of Newton launched a major effort to secure the proposed college, establishing a committee to raise funds to build the college and another committee to secure a Newton site. Despite competition from towns in the areas. Newton was chosen the site for the Baptist college at a meeting of area Baptists in the November, 1907, mainly due to the fact that it was on a railroad crossing and it had a healthful site. The college building committee met on April 16, 1908, and let contracts from construction of three buildings. The formal opening of Clarke Memorial College occurred on October 1, 1908.

Under President S.B. Culpepper, Clarke enrolled 114 students its first session. The second session (1909) enrolled 148. By the third session, enrollment was up to 200; but Clarke was deeply in debt, badly needing contributions. In 1911 a committee met to coordinate Clarke College and Mississippi College's academic programs. In 1913 S. B. Culpepper was succeeded as president by M. P. Bush, who served as acting president until M. O. Patterson took the office.

This rapid turnover in chief administrative officers and Clarke's financial difficulties led to uncertainty about Clark's future. In December, 1913, Clarke College's Board of Trustees requested that the college be turned over to the Mississippi Baptist State Convention.

### In 1913 Clarke College was turned over to the Mississippi Baptist Convention as a Junior College.

At a 1913 meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention this request was granted on the condition that the college be only a junior college designed to feed the Baptist senior colleges in the state. It retained its secondary department. Clarke still was laboring under a \$25.000 debt. In March, 1915, M.O. Patterson resigned as was succeeded by R.A. Venable who served only one year. T. A. J. Beasley was asked to accept the position but, on his refusal to accept the office, Bryan Simmons was chosen. From 1908 to 1930 there were ten presidents. During that period, enrollment continued

to grow. During the early 1920's Clarke received \$12,500 from the Southern Baptist Churches' \$75.000 Campaign with the stipulation the Board of Trustees raise an additional \$2,500. In 1926 the Standardization Committee of the Mississippi State Department of Education visited the Clarke campus and certified them as an accredited junior college.

## In 1926 Clarke became an accredited Junior College.

The mid and late 1920's were difficult economic times for Clarke College with it being \$35.000 in debt by the late 1920's.

A joint meeting of the Clarke Board of Trustees and the Education Commission agreed to raise additional funds if Newton would also raise funds; but at a special meeting at the Mississippi Baptist Convention there was a vote taken to close Clarke College. There was such a local outcry to respond to the decision, that another special session was called which rescinded the previous action (July 15, 1930). That special session also agreed to liquidate Clarke's \$40,000 debt and borrow money to fund Clarke's operation. However, at the regular session of the Mississippi Baptist Convention that year, there was another vote to close Clarke College. A group of East Mississippi Baptists sought to lease Clarke College for five years. This was agreed to by the Board of Trustees on April 13, 1931.

Clarke College remained a state accredited institution under the Clarke College Holding Commission. S. L. Stringer was chosen as president; but in 1935 he was succeeded by Dr. C.Z. Holland. On April 16, 1937 the college was leased to W. L. McMullan, who served as president from 1937 to 1938. In 1940 W.L. McMullan surrendered the charter and lease to Freeman E. May.

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Freeman May served as president from 1940 to 1942. When he resigned, J. L. Boyde of Meridian was elected president.

## During the 1930's and early 1940's Clarke was operated by a holding company.

Clarke began to increase its academic offerings for returning World War II veterans. As a result Clarke began emerging from the difficult times of the Great Depression, and there was a move to return Clarke to the control of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

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Also in 1952 Clarke College received its initial accreditation with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Deficit spending led to a change in the administration in 1954, with W.L. Green being replaced by Lowery Compere who served as president from January, 1955 to 1977. During the Compere administration the women's dormitory, men's dormitory, the Science Building and Fine Arts building were constructed. Also the sub-collegiate program was dropped during the Compere administration. In the mid 1960's and into the 1970's; hower, deficits began to occur as enrollment dropped and the college began to cover these deficits by spending quasi-endowed funds.

## In 1976 the word "Memorial" was dropped from the college's name.

In 1976 the college's charter was amended to change it's name to Clarke College, omitting the word "Memorial." In 1977 Dr. Compete retired and Dr. S. L. Harris became president. Harris served only eighteen months and was succeeded by Dr. A. C. Johnson (1979-1981).

In the fall of 1980 Clarke College's Board of Trustees, facing the problems of decreasing enrollment and annual deficits, which were rapidly depleting the quasi-endowed fund, believed Clarke was in danger of closing. Clarke College's Board of Trustees went to the Baptist State Education Commission with the problem and the Education Commission recommended in November, 1980, that Clarke College be transferred to the control of Mississippi College.

On August 1, 1981, the Mississippi Baptist Convention officially transferred the operation and administration of Clarke College to the Mississippi College Board of Trustees. Under the plan,

Clarke College lost it's independent board of trustees and it's president.

### In 1981 Clarke College became a Division of Mississippi College.

All of Clarke's property was transferred to the Mississippi College Board of Trustees. Income from Clarke's endowed fund would go for Clarke's use only. Clarke College would become an integral part of Mississippi College, though Clarke was expected to pay its own operating costs.

The union of Clarke College with Mississippi College has now been in existence for ten years. The nature of he relationship was not clearly defined by the document mandating the union, so any definition has come by "custom" and "usage." What has emerged cannot be described as a real " merger" but rather it is a partial merger of administration and financial operations, while academics, student support services, and alumni affairs have remained separate.



### Clarke College Presidents

1908-1912	S. B. Culpepper
1912-1913	L. G. Gates
1913-1915	M. O. Patterson
1915-1916	R. A. Venable
1916-1918	<b>Bryan Simmons</b>
1918-1920	T.A.J. Beasley
1920-1923	John F. Carter
1923-1929	H. T. McLaurin
1929-1930	W.T. Lowrey
1930-1931	John F. Carter
1931-1932	A. A. Roebuck
1932-1935	S.L.Stringer
1935-1937	C. Z. Holland
1937-1940	W.L. McMillan
1940-1941	Freeman S. May
1942-1944	J. L. Boyd
1944 -1954	W.E. Greene
1955 - 1977	W. Lowery Compere
1977 -1979	S.L. Harris
1979 -1981	A. C. Johnson
1981-1992	Dr. Lewis Nobles

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## HISTORY OF CLARKE MEMORIAL COLLEGE

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RECENTLY the Baptist Record, the official organ of the Baptist denomination for Mississippi, got. out a special edition of sixty-four pages, it was a most creditable publication. and in this edition was a write-up of Clarke Memorial College, of Newton/ This write-up gives some interesting history of the institution. and The Record herewith reproduces same for the benefit of our readers who do not get The Baptist Record:

Possibly the greatest array of Baptist brain and talent ever gathered in Mississippi was at the first Encampment at Blue Mountain in 1906. The greatest address of the Encampment, a mightly plea for Christian Education, was delivered on the last night of the gathering by Dr. W. T, Lowrey, then president of Mississippi College. In the audience was Rev. W. B. Sansing, then editor of the Mississippi Bap-The address so impressed Mr. Sansing that at the close he asked Dr. Lowrey to reduce it to writing and permit him to publish it in the Mississippi Baptist. In a few months Brother Sansing was advocating in ulty. a vigorous way the building of a Ou Baptist school in East Mississippi.

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Already, Dr. M. O. Patterson had been identified with the institution. He was made president and presided until the close of the session of 1914-1915. Since that time the presidency seems to be a two years' tenure of office. Dr. R. A. Venable, Rev. Bryan Simmens and Dr. I. A. J. Beasley each served two years, and John F. Carter, the present incumbent of the office has been president two years.

With no endownment and no source from which to draw funds to supplement running expenses, the only alternative was to increase the charges. The inevitable result has been a falling off of students and thus curtailment of the usefulness of the institution. The enrollment for the last six or seven years has ranged between 100 and 450, decrease due to Agricultural High Schools which charge no tuition and furnish board at cost.

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A board of trustees was appointed and S. B. Culpepper 'was chosen president of the new institution. Before the next meeting of the Association grounds had been secured. three commodious buildings erected and the College had opened its first session.

It is true that it was built largely with borrowed money, but it should be remembered that the above named brethren built the colleges

The date of the first opening was September 30, 1908. Fifty-five students were present the first day. On the literary faculty were four men and two ladies, namely: S. B. Gulpepper, W. L. McMullan, Hal Weathersby, W. J. Shoemaker, Miss Daisy Lines and Miss Sumrall. Besides these, one Miss Austin was in charge of the music department. The enrollment for the first session was 108. During this first session Boys' Home was destroyed by fire, but the young men readily found lodging in the homes of Newton and before the opening of the second session a larger brick building had been erected.

The College took on a steady growth from the beginning. Culpepper remained president three and one-half sessions. It was during his administration—session of 1911-1912 - that enrollment the" reached its highest point of 254. A strong faculty was maintained and a high class of work was done.

Soon, however, the college began to need substantial aid. Bonds had been sold for the erection of the original buildings. There was no source of funds with which to pay these bonds. Besides, though the number of students was growing, the charges made were not sufficient to pay the faculty that it was necessary to maintain. Thus from year to year the obligations of the college grew. After the resignation of President Culpepper, Vice-President M. P. Bush managed the affairs of the Institution for two years, L. and see the collection at The Record G. Gates being president in ab- office.

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> One of the very gratifying features of our institution has been the way the graduates have made good. A large number of them have been inspired to aftend higher institu-tions of learning. These have become leaders in their different lines of endeavor. Quite a number have undertaken the problems of life with only the training secured here, and these are succeeding in a way that is truly wonderful. Possibly no other school can show so high a percentage of graduates who have attained success and prominence.

The president is now supported by a strong faculty. Our work is fully accredited. The present session bids fair to be above un average in attendance and superior to any in the character of work done. The only problem is lack of funds.

A denomination of millions should think in millions of dollars when she measures the needs and claims of her sons and daughters for the best educational advantages. have barely touched our resources which are increasing so rapidly. My people shall be willing in the day of my power." It is a willing people that makes the day of God's power, Dying Elisha gave to king Joash the secret of success against Syria when with his hands upon the king's hands he bade him shoot the arrow of the Lord's deliverence of Syria. It was not the smiting on the ground thrice that was to secure the victory but the smiting five or six times. Our people should do great things because they attempt great things in the name of the Lord with His hands laid upon them.

#### COMMENCEMENT INVITATIONS.

The Record office has just received a beautiful assortment of school commencement invitation samples, the most attractive we have ever seen. Graduating classes of schools and colleges should see this line and get prices before placing orders. No use to pay traveling expenses for some salesman, when you can get them from a home man as cheap, if not cheaper. We represent one of the largest and best engraving houses in the country. Call

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